

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of DAVID J. BOVA Serial No. 08/368,378 Filed January 14, 1995 For NICOTINIC ACID COMPOSITIONS FOR TREATING HYPERLIPIDEMIA AND RELATED **METHODS THEREFOR**

Group Art Unit 1205

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT A

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated June 30, 1995, the Applicant, through his attorney, respond as follows. This Response is being concurrently filed with the Applicant's Declaration Under 37 CFR § 1.131.

In the specification:

Please amend the specification as follows.

On page 1, line 5, immediately following the phrase "Continuation-In-Part of", delete the phrase "currently pending" and substitute therefor the phrase "abandoned".

In the claims:

Please amend claims 1, 5 and 7/as follows.

A method of treating hyperlipidemia in a hyperlipidemic 1. (Amended) comprising dosing the hyperlip) demic with an effective antihyperlipidemic amount of nicotinic acid [or compound metabolized to nicotinic acid by the

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